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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PER SESSION  
LOAD BALANCING WITH IMPROVED LOAD  
SHARING IN A PACKET SWITCHED NETWORK

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**AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.